

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 2, 2007. Claims 1-7 were pending in the application. In the Office Action, claims 1-4 and 7 were rejected, and claims 5 and 6 were objected to. In this Amendment, claims 1 and 7 have been amended. Claims 1-7 thus remain for consideration.

Applicants submit that claims 1-7 are in condition for allowance and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in light of the following remarks.

§102 Rejections

Claims 1-4 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Yang et al. (US 6,833,875).

Applicants respectfully submit that the independent claims (claims 1 and 7) are patentable over Yang.

Applicants' invention as recited in the independent claims is directed toward a video signal processing circuit and method. Each of the claims recites a system clock generating means/process configured to set a coefficient n "such that the coefficient n corresponding to [a] first system, n_1 , is different from the coefficient n corresponding to [a] second system, n_2 , the product of the color burst signal frequency (fsc) of said first system and n_1 being substantially equal to a frequency m , and the product of the fsc of said second system and n_2 being substantially equal to said frequency m ." Each claim further recites that the system clock frequency for the circuit/method is set to m . Supporting disclosure for Applicants' recited coefficient setting and system clock setting can be found in the specification at, for example, page 12, line 22 - page 15, line 6.

Yang does not disclose Applicants' recited coefficient setting and system clock setting. Accordingly, Applicants believe that claims 1 and 7 are patentable over Yang on at least this basis.

Further, since dependent claims inherit the limitations of their respective base claims, Applicants believe that claims 2-6 are patentable over Yang for at least the same reasons discussed in connection with claim 1.

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims now pending in the application are in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited. If any issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions, he/she is invited to telephone the undersigned at (908) 654-5000.

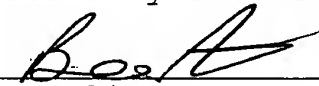
The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

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